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## Taping Nenshi illegal: Lawyer

FALLOUT

### U.S. Lyft driver recorded mayor getting candid about Uber



**Brodie Thomas**  
Metro | Calgary

Secretly recording a conversation is not cool under Massachusetts law. But calling someone a "d—" is not a problem.

That's according to Boston-based lawyer Howard Cooper, who spoke to Metro about the potential legal fallout of a recording made of Mayor Naheed Nenshi last week in Boston.

A Lyft driver who picked up the mayor had the live-streaming app Periscope running on a device mounted in his dashboard. Nenshi had no idea he was being broadcast, and spoke candidly about his thoughts on the ride-

sharing company Uber.

Cooper said under Massachusetts law, it is a felony to secretly record the audio of someone's voice without their consent.

"Recording somebody's voice ... without their permission is a crime," he said.

The Lyft driver, John Bravo, told Metro he was unaware of the legalities of recording voices without consent.

As for what the mayor said about Uber CEO Travis Kalanick, there's really no legal problems there, according to Cooper.

"The first amendment gives pretty broad protection to statements that are of opinion, are sarcastic, are insulting, et cetera," he said.

Regardless of the legality of the video, Nenshi will now have some explaining to do at council Monday about how the city tested Uber's screening system. In the video, Nenshi said sex offenders passed Uber's background screening process — something he later backtracked on in a written statement.



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Sam Avant, of Beach Season, and Matt Olah are teaming up to bring music to a new generation of kids. AARON CHATHA/METRO

## CALGARY ZOO

### Pandas to cost city \$8.15M



**Brodie Thomas**  
Metro | Calgary

We already know that Da Mao and Er Shun are coming to the Calgary Zoo for a visit in 2018, along with their two kids.

Now we know the cost to taxpayers — \$8.15 million. That amount will be matched by the Calgary Zoological Society.

A report going to council Monday outlines the plans for the panda visit, and the return the city could get on its investment.

The report notes a 2013 study showed the zoo contributed \$8.8 million to the local economy in 2013, and that the panda visit is expected to increase attendance by 20 to 25 per cent.

A 2014 analysis projected an estimated \$16 to \$18 million increase in economic activity in the Calgary area each year during the pandas' five-year stay.

According to the report, the zoo will make upgrades to the Eurasia Gateway building, which currently houses the rhinoceros and komodo dragons.

Coun. Sean Chu noted that the upgrades will be easily and affordably converted to another animal, once the pandas' stay comes to an end.

"Before they design the place, they'll design it with two enclosures in mind, to save money in the future," he said.

He said the money for this project was allocated before his time for cultural purposes, and this is a worthwhile investment.

# No ID required for FolkU

## MUSIC

### Folk Festival bringing back all-ages shows to Calgary



**Aaron Chatha**  
Metro | Calgary

As of late, Calgary's music venues seem to be less fun for all, and more fun for all over the age of 18 with a valid piece

of government ID.

The organizers behind Calgary Folk Festival and the folks at BassBus feel there aren't enough all-ages music events in the city — so they've partnered up for FolkU, an all-ages concert series.

Matt Olah, Calgary Folk Fest marketing manager, said that a few years ago, youth had more options to get on stage — or see their friends get on stage — and check out cool music through music venues like The New Black Centre in Inglewood.

Unfortunately, that particular venue has shut down.

"We were talking to parents and they were talking about how they missed The New Black days, because you could drop your kid off at seven, go for dinner or a movie and pick your kid up at 11," explained Olah. "When that shut down, there was a real loss of all-ages places for Calgary."

The FolkU shows started as a mentorship program, offering classes to kids to get them into music.

"When you mix school with music — the kids weren't into it," laughed Olah. "They just wanted a stage to play on."

The next show is partnering with BassBus, a group that specializes in electronic shows, and chose performers who used elements of electronic music and live instruments, like Calgary-duo beach season.

Sam Avant, one half of Beach Season, said he performed his first show at 17 — he's 22 now — and said their is a need for all-ages shows to help keep kids out of trouble. It ensures they're not sneaking into clubs or looking for fake IDs to see live music.

"It fosters the creativity in these kids," he said. "They'll get inspired and so they'll start

(music) from a younger age, when they have time to get artistic and creative.

"These kids really want something to feed off of."

Olah said that having all-ages venues is akin to having ice rinks for hockey arenas — kids need a place to practice and play. He hopes to put on a show quarterly.

The show will offer beer and wine for those of age, and will feature other musical acts like Roland Reece and Ross Al Ghul.

The show takes place May 13. For more information, visit [www.calgaryfolkfest.com](http://www.calgaryfolkfest.com).



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# Specialized child doctors rare

## HEALTH CARE

### Easier to find specialist in Canmore than Calgary: Mom



**Jeremy Simes**  
For Metro | Calgary

Cheryle Renwick had no place to go but Canmore to get a specialized pediatrician for her son, Harvey, who requires treatment that his family doctor can't provide.

Renwick, who's from Cochrane, waited about four months for a referral in Calgary before she recently gave up — turns out she could get a specialized child doctor within days in the mountain town.

"You just feel bad for the little ones struggling daily trying to manage their learning disabilities," she said. "There's nothing you can do."

Though the College Of Physicians and Surgeons Of Alberta doesn't track pediatrician referral wait times, patients can wait several months before they see



Cochrane-based Cheryle Renwick waited months on a wait list in Calgary before she found a pediatrician for her son, Harvey, closer to home: in Canmore. CONTRIBUTED

a Calgary-based child doctor specializing in developmental challenges that require treatment outside the scope of family practitioners, according to community pediatrician Dr. Peter Nieman, who's been practising for 30 years.

"There's usually a heck of a long wait list (for patients requiring pediatricians specializing in developmental challenges)," he said. "I have a colleague who tells me she's booking four to five months down the road. Renwick said she thinks it's

silly there are no pediatricians in Cochrane, though considers herself lucky she can afford to drive out to Canmore.

"At least I can manage it," she said. "It's incredibly difficult watching your child struggle daily, so adding in transporta-

**“It's incredibly difficult watching your child struggle daily.”**

Cheryle Renwick

tion and further financial difficulties would be unbearable for families who can't afford it."

Nieman said Canmore's small population may be one of the reasons why specialized pediatricians are more readily available.

As for Calgary's referral backlog, he said reasons for Calgary's backlog of specialized child doctors include doctor shortages, their tight schedules, and confusion over what patients actually require.

"I think it's going to be important to do a better job of triaging," Nieman said. "Maybe the use of a central-intake type thing would be helpful."

He said families should seek a psychologist while their children wait for a referral, noting that not everyone can afford one.

Ever since Harvey received treatment for his ADHD and learning disabilities, he has improved at school, Renwick added.

"Nobody wants to be in trouble every day. A week and a half ago he got an award for managing his self-regulation, and being a star on the playground," she said. "Things are fantastic."

## SOCIAL MEDIA

### Driver likes how Nenshi gave Lyft to his brand

**Jeremy Simes**  
For Metro | Calgary

Mayor Naheed Nenshi's Boston-based Lyft driver plans to go big after his video with the mayor blew up over the weekend.

John Bravo, who streamed a video of Nenshi taking a Lyft ride that surfaced on Friday, evaded most questions from Metro over the phone, saying he only does interviews over Periscope or Skype so viewers can tune in.

"If I'm going to be doing this (interview), I'd like to benefit by exposing my brand and my company as well," he told Metro. He said he plans to continue streaming from his car.

"I have nothing to say about the mayor — I only have stuff to say about my brand, personally."

Bravo then went to Periscope to answer questions. He said Calgaryans should give Nenshi a break, adding he wasn't invading his privacy.

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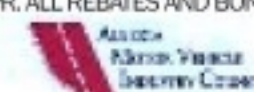
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# Youth coach's story fuels passion for helping kids

GENESIS BASKETBALL

**Program gives students the tools to excel on the court**



**Jennifer Friesen**  
For Metro

Despite dominating the court daily, scoring a spot on a high-level basketball team can seem impossible to grasp for some Calgary youth.

And after hearing story after story about the struggles of his student athletes, coach Eddie Richardson decided it was time to change that.

"It doesn't matter what you look like, everybody has their own personal struggles," said Richardson.

"Money doesn't solve everything — you need more than just money to feel supported. I remember (one player who) really needed somebody and something to give him hope, so, once I sat down with him and heard his story, I said 'That's it, we're doing something about this. Tomorrow.'"

And with that, he launched Genesis Basketball.

As the not-for-profit's president and founder, he wanted to give every child in Calgary the chance to join an elite basketball program — regardless of their family's financial state. Over the past eight years, Richardson has mentored thousands of student athletes and spent countless hours collecting sponsorship dollars for those in need.



After working as a professional basketball player, **Eddie Richardson** began coaching young players in Calgary, which ultimately led him to build a non-profit organization. JENNIFER FRIESEN/FOR METRO

"The great thing about basketball is that all you need to play is a pair of shoes and a ball," said Richardson.

"Every culture plays basketball. We have kids from Africa, Europe and Canada, but if you give them a ball, they all know what to do with it. It brings these kids together."

Since its inception, the program has grown to include an NBA-certified program, 500 players each year and has become

host to an annual 64-team tournament called The Genesis Classic.

His passion for helping young athletes has deep roots for Richardson. As a child, he moved seven times in seven years as his



**The great thing about basketball is that all you need to play is a pair of shoes and ball. Eddie Richardson**

mother fought to find the right jobs to support him. They never had a lot of money, but he says he had the support he needed to keep going.

"I didn't always have the means to play a high-level sport," he said.

"It was tough, but my mom busted her butt and did everything she could to afford me the opportunity to participate in things. I cherish what she did and it really resonates with me as I do my best in this program with these kids, now."

By day, Richardson works his regular job at an IT consulting company. But as soon as he's out

of the office, he's on the court coaching with his team of 20 other volunteers.

He isn't paid, and it makes for long hours, but he says he lives for the moments when a student completes a manoeuvre he never thought he could or achieves their high school diploma.

"It takes a village to support as many kids as we do, and it's all worth it when you see the kids succeed," he said. "It's just a lot of little things that you see every day, like the pride they have when they wear the 'G' in our crest, that's why we're doing it."

CITY HALL

## Councillor to pitch housing motions



**Brodie Thomas**  
Metro | Calgary

A Calgary city councillor is planning to put forward two affordable housing motions at Monday's council meeting.

Coun. Gian-Carlo Carra has been working for several years on two separate projects that would provide apartments for seniors who are ready to move out of their homes, but want to stay in their communities.

He said one project in Inglewood is being planned by the Jack Long Foundation. They want to build on a piece of green space that was formerly Blackfoot trail, before that got rerouted.

Technically, the space they have in mind is parkland, but Carra said it is rarely used, while the main section of park used by the community is actually zoned for building.

"What I'm suggesting is we swap the buildable site for the parkland to reflect how people actually use the park," said Carra.

A second project in Ogden would also see a small section of the park go to affordable housing.

Carra said the project was first dreamed up by the Ogden House Seniors club as a legacy project.

It will take a section of land from the southwest corner of George Moss Park for the development. That will put the complex close to the future Green Line, and close to amenities for future residents.

Carra said the federal and provincial budgets seem to show a renewed interest in affordable housing, which the city desperately needs more of.

"Whether there's actually delivery on affordable housing — there's at least a renewed commitment and understanding that it's really important," he said.

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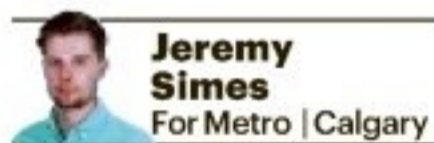


Boy scout Cole Norrena was thrilled to volunteer with city workers to dispose and recycle Calgarians' items in time for spring cleaning. JEREMY SIMES/FOR METRO

# City begins its spring cleaning

COMMUNITY EVENT

**Initiative helps crews empty carts more efficiently**



**Jeremy Simes**  
For Metro | Calgary

Christa Macher had no problem saying goodbye to her trees — they fell victim to what Calgarians like to call Snowtember 2014.

"We have a really tree-filled backyard," Macher said. "And we're still knocking them down."

On Sunday, Macher was among dozens of Calgarians disposing their clutter to make way for a clean home in time for spring.

She said she never really had a chance to come down and recycle the trees last year.

"It's awesome. It's exciting to do this," she said. "You know, out with the old and in with the new."

Helping her with the tree trash were scouts Shannara Chutny and Cole Norrena with Scouts Canada.

Chutny said the best part of helping out is spending time with volunteers and patrons

getting rid of their belongings. "It's a lot of fun seeing the trash get compacted," she said. "It's cool."

According to Darcy Cairns, superintendent with waste and recycling services, the annual spring cleaning events — which kickstarted in the community of Glendale on Sunday — are a huge help for city workers, who require clear alleyways to empty people's trash and recycling bins.

"It helps our garbage trucks move down the lanes more safely and efficiently to help and collect the black and blue carts," he said.

Ward 6 Coun. Richard Pootmans — who was also helping dispose and recycle items — said he's a big believer in keeping this clean to avoid vandalism.

"If we clean stuff up, it tends to stay neater and tidier," he said. "And I think that just makes it a great community."

Crews have already booked 112 community cleanups this year, Cairns said, adding they have capacity for 116 events.

"It helps keep the city a lot cleaner," he said. "It's a cleaner place for people to live."

The cleanup events will occur every weekend into the summer months. To find out when your community will host a cleanup, visit [calgary.ca/cleanup](http://calgary.ca/cleanup).

# Music centre taking applications



**Aaron Chatha**  
Metro | Calgary

With the opening of Calgary's National Music Centre only months away, applications have opened for Calgarians to be among the first to use the multi-million dollar facility.

The Artist in Residence program will allow participants the opportunity to use, sample and record unique instruments

and equipment from the collection, have access to performance spaces and access to NMC staff and their expertise.

The program is fairly self-directed — artists pitch their project, and decide how they can best use the facilities available.

Adam Fox, NMC director of programs, said they're looking for creative applications from artists.

"It's not just about coming here and making a commer-

cial recording — that's not the goal. There are studios and places you can do that," he explained. "We have a really unique collection and we want to provide access and opportunity for artists to use it to create something they otherwise wouldn't be able to create."

That unique collection includes more than 300 musical artifacts spanning 450 years of music technology and innovation.

The \$191 million facility opens to the public in July 2016.

"It's fun, because it will be our first cohorts going through the facility," said Fox. "We really want flexible and excited artists that are going to learn with us as we experiment in our new space."

"It's kind of a brave new world for us here."

Applications are due May 31. For more information, visit [www.nmc.ca/artists](http://www.nmc.ca/artists).

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# Dogs get new chance at life

## ANIMALS

**Five saved, but thousands still smuggled for food each year**



**Thandi Fletcher**  
Metro | Vancouver

Five dogs rescued from the illegal meat trade in Asia are being given a new leash on life in British Columbia.

The animals, which were brought here by Vancouver-based animal rescue group Leading Each Animal Safely Home, or LEASH, arrived at Vancouver International Airport late Saturday night.

LEASH worked with the Soi Dog Foundation, a Thailand-based non-profit organization that rescued the dogs from being trafficked into the meat industry in that region.

"The dog meat trade is a huge industry there," Cassi MacDonald, team member for LEASH, told Metro. "It's horrifying. It's absolutely devas-



Woodpecker is one of the dogs rescued from the illegal meat trade in Asia that arrived in Vancouver late Saturday night. COURTESY SANDI COUSINS

tating because to us, dogs are our companions. They're our friends ... and it's sad to imagine our companions going through such things."

Although eating dog meat is illegal in Thailand, tens of thousands of dogs are smuggled from the country every

**Hey buddy, this is the beginning of your new life.**

Sandi Cousins, to her new best friend Woodpecker

year to neighbouring regions, for human consumption.

MacDonald said the dogs, which have all received veterinary checkups and the necessary vaccinations before arriving in Canada, will stay in foster homes for about five to eight weeks until they are ready for

adoption.

Cathy Zaste, who met the dogs at the airport, said she broke down in tears as soon as the animals entered the arrivals terminal around 11 p.m.

She and husband Al, who also own a pet supply store, are fostering one of the dogs, an eight-year-old pup named Buster. The couple is also temporarily caring for another dog, Cherish, until she can be placed in another foster home.

Although the dogs had spent less than a day in their home, the Maple Ridge couple said the animals already seemed to be adjusting well, spending much of Sunday curled up at their feet.

The same rings true for Sandi Cousins, who took mixed-breed pup Woodpecker into her Burnaby home as a foster.

Cousins said she immediately bonded with the pooch.

"I stuck my finger in his cage ... and he came up and gave me a lick," she said. "I just wanted to get him out of there and get him home, and tell him, 'Hey buddy, this is the beginning of your new life.'"

## DISPENSARIES

### Marijuana a municipal muddle

A recent spike in the number of storefront marijuana dispensaries in parts of the country is prompting calls for the government to regulate an area not covered by current legislation.

The Canadian Association of Medical Cannabis Dispensaries estimates there are at least 350 such storefronts in Canada, with dozens opening in Toronto alone in the past few months.

Opponents say the storefront dispensaries are technically illegal and should be closed immediately.

But medical marijuana advocates say the answer is to introduce regulations to standardize the quality of the product they sell and the criteria for clients looking to buy it.

They say dispensaries fill a huge void for Canadians not covered by existing laws governing medical pot either distributed by mail or grown at home.

Advocates say they hope the burgeoning industry will be regulated when Ottawa moves to legalize marijuana next year.

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Tracy Drexler says her photo ended up on a pregnancy porn site. CONTRIBUTED

# Belly ends up online

**PRIVACY**  
**Photo lands on porn site after mother was catfished**

**Evan Matthews**  
For Metro | Winnipeg

A woman from Winnipeg says she was shocked to find out photos she sent to someone she thought was a friend ended up on a pregnancy porn site.

Tracey Drexler, a mother of two, says she is pregnant with twins. She said she went online looking for Facebook groups that could provide her with advice on birthing twins and found a group called Life With Twins.

"I've gotten lots of good advice on there. Being a first-time twin mom, you don't really know what to expect," said Drexler. "It's been helpful in a lot of ways."

Drexler was commenting on a thread along with another pregnant mother.

The woman commenting with Drexler befriended her on Facebook, and they started discussing their pregnancies. Drexler didn't think twice about sending a belly photo, she said.

"It was definitely innocent to start; like, she's just another mom, right?" said Drexler.

But innocent soon turned creepy.

"She asked about my nipples and how they were changing,

and then she asked to see a photo," she said. "We kind of stopped talking then."

A short time later, Drexler noticed a post about not allowing belly photos in the group due to people catfishing photos of pregnant women. Attached to the post was a link to a site called pregophillia.com.

"I remembered I had shared my picture with the creepy (person)," said Drexler. "I clicked on the link and went through the website. I found a photo of me." Drexler said she sent the website an email and they took her photo down.

Susie Parker, social-media strategist for Sparker Strategy Group, said there are certain things all people, not just pregnant women, should keep in mind when dealing with people online.

"Don't accept requests from people you don't know," she said. "If you do ... you put yourself and (your) information at greater risk online."

She said even if someone is sharing pictures with you online, you shouldn't feel the need to send any back. If you suspect the person is fake or catfishing, you should report the profile to Facebook, she said.

"If you feel harassed or unsafe, block the profile," she said.

Drexler said while pregnancy is a beautiful thing, other mothers-to-be should make sure they have appropriate privacy settings.

"I'm a lot more paranoid now," she said.

# Teen hopes for change in Attawapiskat

Thirteen-year-old Sheridan Hookimaw killed herself on the banks of the river that flows through Attawapiskat, ultimately sparking a crisis that has now drawn international attention to her isolated First Nations community.

The sickly girl, who had to be flown out weekly for medical appointments, recorded video messages to her family saying she wanted to end her pain and telling them not to blame themselves.

Since then, as many as 100 others in Attawapiskat have apparently tried to kill themselves, sparking panic among the First Nation's leaders, who recently declared a state of emergency in a desperate cry for help.

Among them is the big sister Sheridan left behind.

"Every morning when I wake up, when I don't see my sister there or when I don't hear her voice, I feel so lonely without her," Rebecca Hookimaw, 16,

says at the home they shared.

But Sheridan's death prompted the young woman to try to turn her life around. Now she wants other teens to know that suicide is not the answer.

"If you ever think about taking your life away, don't do it," Hookimaw says. "Suicide ends your pain but it will go on to somebody else, and it's just going to keep on going."

"I hope everything changes in Attawapiskat one day."

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# One year since deadly quake

NEPAL

## Millions still living without permanent shelters

People gathered Sunday at the remains of a historic tower in Nepal's capital that collapsed in a devastating earthquake a year ago, as Nepalese held memorial services to mark the anniversary of a disaster that killed nearly 9,000 people and left millions homeless.

Minor protests were also held, with demonstrators angry at the slow rate of reconstruction in the wake of the magnitude-7.8 quake that ravaged vast areas of Nepal.

Participating in the memorial ceremonies were people who lost loved ones in the quake, and others who simply came to pray for those killed.

About 100 protesters scuffled with riot police outside the prime minister's office demonstrating against the slow reconstruction of the homes. More than 600,000 homes were destroyed and around 185,000



Family members of earthquake victims pray during a Buddhist ceremony to commemorate the victims of last year's magnitude-7.8 quake that hit Nepal. GETTY IMAGES

damaged in the quake.

"Government, where is reconstruction. Open the gates of the government," the protesters chanted as they tried to force their way through a police barricade.

According to the International Federation of Red Cross and

Red Crescent Societies, an estimated 4 million people are still living in sub-standard temporary shelters in conditions that pose a threat to their health and well-being. Only 661 families have received the first installment of a 200,000-rupee (\$1,868) government grant,

getting 50,000 rupees (\$467) so far.

Nepal has made almost no progress in rebuilding from the quake despite foreign donors pledging more than \$4 billion in aid during a donors' conference last year. The government, in disarray for nearly

a decade, has not regrouped enough to be a strong force for reconstruction.

Out of the \$4.1 billion pledged, Nepal has so far received just \$1.28 billion. The delay in getting the money has been blamed on the government taking months to set up the National Reconstruction Authority, which was done only in December.

Finance Minister Bishnu Prasad Paudel said the delay was because it was necessary to conduct a detailed survey of the damaged houses before reconstruction could begin.

"Nepal had signed a written commitment in black and white that there would not be any reconstruction without the detailed beneficiary survey during the donor's meeting," Paudel said Friday.

"But until the detailed beneficiary survey was completed, there was no way we could go ahead with the actual reconstruction."

Now that the work is completed in 11 of the 14 districts affected by the earthquake, work will proceed at full speed, Paudel said.

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FLORIDA

## Employee to blame for own death: Zoo

A Florida zoo official says an employee who was killed by a tiger earlier this month didn't follow zoo policy.

Palm Beach Zoo CEO Andrew Aiken said that zoo policy prohibits zookeepers from entering an enclosure to which a tiger has access.

Stacey Konwiser, 38, was killed April 15 when a male Malayan tiger attacked her in the enclosure known as the night house, where tigers sleep and are fed. Aiken said Konwiser entered the part of the night house "after it was clearly designated as accessible by a tiger."

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Stacey Konwiser

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# Bloody weekend in the U.S.

From a shooting at a high-school prom to slain family members, this weekend saw at least 14 people killed.

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## GEORGIA

### 'A ticking time bomb'

The daughter of a northeast Georgia man suspected of shooting five people to death before killing himself said her father was a "ticking time bomb."

Lauren Hawes told The Associated Press on Saturday that she and her one-year-old daughter hid in a neighbour's house — barely escaping with their lives — while her father, Wayne Anthony Hawes, 50, went on a bloody rampage and killed five people, including her grandmother and cousin.



## WISCONSIN

### Dream turns into nightmare

An 18-year-old man opened fire with a rifle outside a high-school prom in Wisconsin, wounding two students before a police officer fatally shot him, authorities said Sunday.

Investigators did not say whether they believe the two students were targeted or discuss a possible motive. But a school administrator said it appeared that the gunman intended to go into the dance and start shooting randomly.

## OHIO

### 'A pre-planned execution'

Residents of the rural Ohio community of Piketon are rattled by a rare major crime that took the lives of eight members of a tight-knit family in the area.

Authorities were still trying Sunday to find out who targeted the seven adults and teenage boy and why. Their bodies were found Friday at four different homes near Piketon, about 95 kilometres south of Columbus.



## EGYPT

# Defend state from 'forces of evil': El-Sissi

Egypt's president urged citizens to defend the state and its institutions from the "forces of evil" on Sunday, a day before planned demonstrations against his policies, including the transfer of two Red Sea islands to Saudi Arabia.

In a widely televised speech, Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi insisted on the need for stability in the Arab world's most populous country, saying that attempts to degrade it "won't be successful" if Egypt stands united.

"We must protect these institutions because these mean the state," he said. "I am reiterating to the Egyptian people this is the responsibility of all of us, for us to protect this security and stability."

Earlier this month, thousands marched against el-Sissi's policies in the largest demonstrations since he assumed office in 2014. The protests featured slogans such as "leave" and "down with the regime," used in the 2011 uprising that toppled

longtime leader Hosni Mubarak.

The protesters, including politicians and activists, called for more demonstrations on Monday, a national holiday that commemorates the withdrawal of the last Israeli troops from the Sinai Peninsula in 1982 under the Camp David peace agreement.

The armed forces will deploy at vital sites Monday to prevent saboteurs from taking advantage of these protests, Egypt's military spokesman Brig. Gen. Mohammed Samir said Sunday.

El-Sissi's comments raise the possibility of large-scale counter-demonstrations that could turn violent, in addition to a potentially harsh police crackdown — especially if the demonstrators attempt to reach the heavily policed Tahrir Square.

Protests are essentially banned in Egypt under laws passed after el-Sissi led the military overthrow of his elected but divisive Islamist predecessor, Mohammed Morsi, in 2013.

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# Rage against the machine

## ROBOTS

### Fears rise of a takeover by automated workers

Hype about robots — from artificially intelligent therapists to burrito-delivery drones — has surged recently amid increased investment from tech giants such as Facebook, Google and Amazon.

With so much high-profile coverage, it's no wonder fears have also soared that automated helpers could put us out of work. A recent Pew Institute study said more than two-thirds of Americans think that most jobs will be done by robots or computers in 50 years. But according to at least one expert, a full-fledged robot workplace invasion will not happen anytime soon.

"I scream when I see colleagues say that robots are going to replace people and be mimicking their brain," said Andrew Goldenberg, professor emeritus in mechanical engineering at the University of Toronto. "To compete with people from a certain level of skills and up? Give me a break."

The reason is that there are many limitations to machine learning. Robots are much better at learning tasks that can be memorized and have strict



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rules and structures: they can breeze through the math portion of an SAT, but would flunk the essay section.

Robots are not going to be able to perform the most human of functions — those that require improvised, creative, emotional responses, any time soon, Goldenberg said.

However, robots replacing some manufacturing jobs — once the foundation of a middle-class life — has been happening for decades.

"In the auto industry we've

seen the march of automation and increasing labour productivity rapidly for the last several decades," said Bill Murnighan, director of research at Unifor, Canada's biggest union.

Canada is producing about the same number of vehicles as it was two decades ago, with a quarter fewer workers. The lion's share of the change has come from new technology, including robots, said Murnighan.

It's a scenario that's become increasingly familiar to workers in the service industry, such as

those in fast food, call centres, retail and bank tellers.

McDonalds Canada plans to outfit 1,000 locations with self-serve kiosks — though the company said it would not lead to job losses.

The White House's Council of Economic Advisers projected earlier this year that people making less than \$20 an hour have an 83 per cent chance of losing their job to a robot, while the odds for those earning less than \$40 are 30 per cent.

Even education might not be

the protection from creeping automation it was once thought to be. A McKinsey & Co. study found most of what most of us do at work is repetitive and rote. That means robots might not entirely replace our jobs, but rather a lot of what we do.

About 45 per cent of the tasks Americans do across all jobs could be automated — even those in powerful positions. About 20 per cent of the work a CEO does could be automated, the McKinsey study found.

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## SALMON

### Chilean project proposed

The federal government is still investigating an experiment off the West Coast almost four years ago aimed at boosting salmon stocks that sparked an international outcry.

Now a former director and operations officer of Haida Salmon Restoration Corp. says he wants to carry out another ocean-fertilizing exercise, this time off South America.

Jason McNamee says the company Oceaneos, where he serves as chief operations officer, has been in talks about fertilizing the ocean with iron with the Chilean government, which could not be reached for comment.

In July 2012, the now-inactive Haida Salmon Restoration travelled to international waters near the islands of Haida Gwaii where it dumped 100 tonnes of iron sulphate into the water in an effort to restore waning salmon stocks.

Critics said the practice was largely untested. But proponents of ocean fertilization contend the process stimulates biological productivity in the marine environment, triggering a phytoplankton bloom that travels up the food chain and ultimately bolsters salmon populations.

Environment Canada's enforcement branch launched an investigation in August 2012, though the agency recently declined to answer any questions about the case. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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### Solar-powered plane flies across Pacific

A solar-powered airplane on a mission to fly around the world landed in California, completing a risky, three-day flight across a great expanse of the Pacific Ocean.

Pilot Bertrand Piccard landed the Solar Impulse 2 in Mountain

View, in the Silicon Valley south of San Francisco, at 11:45 p.m. Saturday following a 62-hour, nonstop solo flight from Hawaii without fuel. The plane taxied into a huge tent at Moffett Airfield where Piccard was greeted by the project's team.

"You know there was a moment in the night, I was watching the reflection of the moon on the ocean and I was thinking 'I'm completely alone in this tiny cockpit and I feel completely confident.' And I was really thankful to life for bringing me

this experience," Piccard said at a news conference after he landed.

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## URBAN ETIQUETTE ELLEN VANSTONE



### THE QUESTION

**A friend I've known since moving to Canada, who is deeply embedded in my social circle, makes me uncomfortable. He's rowdy and rude, and creepy toward my wife. Should I dump him? Can I?**

Dear Ellen,

One of my oldest friends (I've known him since I came to Canada 11 years ago) is also from my country and shares connections with my people back home. But he does drugs to the point where I feel uncomfortable around him, and behaves in a horribly rowdy and rude manner. Also he is touchy-feely, really quite creepy, towards my wife, making suggestive comments and hugging her in an overly drawn-out and grabby way. My wife feels very skeeved out by this, but won't say anything as he's my friend. Unfortunately, his sister and my wife's stepbrother are together, and he's embedded in my social circle.

Should I dump him? How can I dump him?

Rakib, Toronto

Dear Rakib,

At some point, many of us look at certain friends and realize that if we met them now, there's no way we'd have anything to do with them. Whether it's their idiotic politics, crude manners, overweening narcissism, deadly dull conversation, or lack of personal hygiene we can't stand, the fact is we could live happily see the last of them tomorrow.

But if they're childhood friends, or family friends, or the "friends by default" we tend to accumulate through our social circles, we often accept them for who they are.

**With friends past their shelf life, it can be less hurtful if you just politely evaporate over time.**

You might even argue that it does us good to make room for all types in our lives.

As for friends who don't fit any of those categories, who may have crossed us in some way, or who add nothing but empty social obligation to our lives, and to whom we owe nothing, it is perfectly justifiable to let the friendship go.

The sleazy loser you're describing fits into the last category, and deserves to be dumped immediately.

Alas, with the extenuating circumstances you've described, I admit this won't be easy.

If he was a reasonable person who wasn't embedded in your life, I'd recommend you simply back off. When you repeatedly find excuses not to get together with someone, they'll usually take the hint and stop asking. Note: This is not allowed in romantic relationships, where you are

obliged to explicitly tell your soon-to-be ex you want to break up, and then bear the brunt of any last words/objects they want to fling at you.

But with friends past their shelf life, it can be easier and less hurtful for both parties if you just politely evaporate over time. As a friend who's both dumped and been dumped, I can tell you this method works like a charm. In a couple of cases, it took me years to realize I'd been dumped at all! But the passage of time and my own (narcissistic?) powers of denial definitely helped to alleviate the sting.

Unfortunately for you, Rakib, the wife-groping, drug-taking, ill-mannered clod in your life is likely incapable of taking a hint. Even if you confront him directly, and unfriend him in person, he sounds like the type of jerk who'd stir up trouble among your surrounding friends and

family.

What might work is if you address his behaviour on a case-by-case basis. If your wife can't bring herself to tell him not to grope her, you can ask him to be more respectful the next time he does it. When he's high, tell him you don't want to be around him. When he's rowdy and rude, call him out on his words and actions.

Keep it short and sweet, calm and polite. He may counterattack with ridicule or anger, so let him, shrug it off, and move on. Do not engage or argue. Consistently react with lecturing disapproval every time he reoffends.

With any luck at all, he'll soon find you to be a boring, self-righteous nag, and want to start avoiding you altogether.

Problem solved.

**Need advice?**  
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## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

**You gotta be pretty good with women to be as sexy as Prince was**

Among all the other things more eloquently explained by hundreds of other people by now, Prince was a sexual god.

It's not an academic premise; it's a visceral fact. His music forces movement from secret, erogenous places, outwards. You tingle. You hum. Then you dance.

And it's anything but conventional titillation. Pansexuality is a decidedly dull and ubiquitous phrase for the fluid and erotic way he played with gender and desire. Prince's sexiness was dirty, and highly feminine, but also fundamentally loving in a way that is desperately lacking in the sex appeal of mainstream pop culture today.

For women, and really anyone who's not a hetero-male, and even hetero-males, his femme-sex-positiveness is still radical.

"Prince put women in his band. Thirty years ago," tweeted my friend, Helen Spitzer, on the news of Prince's death. "He wrote a sexy, beautiful song called 'If I was yr girlfriend.' I don't want to overstate this (cannot be overstated) but Prince thought women's orgasms were important."

"As a young woman it was very obvious to you he was women-focused, very female-centric on how he conceived of sexiness," Helen added when I called her up.

Which isn't to say he wasn't also masculine. Somehow, while lounging naked in a

feminine pose, one hand delicately covering a bare nipple, he gave us a single outlet for sexual desires that would otherwise run in wildly opposite, or looping, or disjointed directions. Hard and soft.

He was also "genuinely sexually curious, in an utterly respectful way," Helen noted. And that was the other side of his sexual perfection. Its openness. Its authenticity. Its dignity, even when it was nasty. Its adoration of sexuality itself. "Sexuality is all we ever need," he sings in the aptly titled "Sexuality." And the "we" there is key — while Prince was having an orgasmic time, he wanted everyone else to, too.

Politically speaking, it's not exactly clear whether Prince always believed in the free erotic glory he embodied. A 2008 New Yorker profile suggested he disapproved of gay marriage. But from the reaction to his death, that is no match for his actual, deep and expansive legacy of sexual and gender freedom.

And, it should also be said, love. For at least the last three years, I've listened on repeat to Call My Name. Leaning hard on slow soulfulness, it is the perfect love song. Lust-love, heart-love, soul-love. The way your name, on the lips of your lover, "let me know that my name had never really been spoken before."

"Baby would you call it! Call my name," he begs. "... Prince."

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## 'There are no jobs' for new grads

### EDUCATION

### Even qualified engineers are feeling the oil price pinch

Shady Hashem travelled part-way around the world to study as a mine engineer in Canada, at times paying triple the local tuition and working at a call centre to put himself through school, only to graduate in one of the worst job markets in recent memory.

"There are no jobs," said Hashem, 28.

"I talk to a lot of engineers, and the expected time to get a job is between six months and a year."

He came to Calgary to look for work after finishing classes at Halifax's Dalhousie University in December, hoping to find something in Alberta's oilsands with his co-op work experience at Syncrude last summer. But postings are slim, and he hasn't heard anything back after applying for 50 or so jobs in recent weeks.

"I'm applying everywhere, but I haven't heard back from anybody yet, not even an email that says, 'Sorry, this position has been filled,'" said Hashem.



Shady Hashem graduated from engineering at Dalhousie University into one of the worst job markets in recent memory. JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

"That's very frustrating."

Hashem, originally from Egypt but now a permanent resident of Canada, is one of the many recent engineering grads who are struggling to

find jobs in the aftermath of the global oil price plunge. Those still in school looking for work experience also face a daunting market as summer approaches.

Colleen Bangs, manager of

career services at the University of Calgary, said only about a third of the 659 engineering students at the school have found placements for their year-long internships as companies cut

back on campus recruitment.

"Something I've noticed, particularly in this last semester, is that there's a bit of an impending feeling of doom," said Bangs.

That's in stark contrast to the situation just a couple years ago, when the industry was booming.

"Now it's a bit more sombre... It's a lot slower, much like we're seeing in the general marketplace," Bangs said.

Several companies are cutting back on student hirings. Suncor said it's reduced hiring compared with recent years without giving specifics, while Cenovus Energy said it isn't hiring any students at all for now, paid or unpaid.

Cenovus spokesman Brett Harris said in an email that the company suspended the program given the challenging economic environment, which has resulted in more than 30 per cent of the company's overall workforce being cut since the end of 2014.

It's not all doom and gloom, however.

At the University of Alberta, close to 70 per cent of the 1,300 students looking for four-month co-op placements have found them, said assistant professor Tim Joseph at the university's school of mining and petroleum

engineering.

Joseph said he's hoping to get more than 80 per cent of students in co-ops this summer, compared with a peak of 96 per cent in the boom years. Students who can't find placements risk losing their spot in the co-op program, and graduating without work experience.

But even those graduating with experience are struggling, said Joseph, as they look for those elusive long-term, full-time jobs. He recently asked for a show of hands in the graduating class of about 850 of those who had a job lined up, and said only about 20 per cent raised their hands.

Hashem was fortunate enough to find co-op placements throughout his program, so has some savings to live on, but he's cut back on expenses where he can.

With few jobs to apply for, he's spending most of his time these days trying to further improve his skills, taking an online course on project manager principles so he can apply for civil engineering jobs.

He said he has up days and down days as he tries to stay focused and optimistic.

"I'm doing my best," he said. "I'm improving my qualifications, but I'm still waiting."

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Nationally, 37 per cent of millennials have saved nothing at all for a home. ISTOCK

## U.S. millennials can't afford homes

### TREND

### Rising prices and lack of savings delay ownership

Short of savings and burdened by debt, America's millennials are struggling to afford their first homes in the face of sharply higher prices in many of the most desirable cities.

Surveys show that most Americans under 35 lack adequate savings for down payments. The result is that many will likely be forced to delay home ownership and to absorb significant debt loads if they do eventually buy.

Steadily rising home values in recent years have eclipsed pay increases, making it especially difficult to buy in major growth areas for jobs, such as San Francisco, Denver and Seattle.

Nationally, 37 per cent of millennial renters have saved nothing at all for a down payment, according to a survey of 30,000 renters being released Wednesday by Apartment List, a company specializing in rental home searches.

At the same time, 79 per cent of millennial renters say they aspire to own a home, illustrating a troublesome gap

between expectations and financial realities.

Even those diligent enough to set aside money are still short the cash to buy a home.

Among larger metro areas, millennial renters who are saving have put aside an average of just \$5,830. This marks less than one-fifth the savings needed for the typical 20 per cent down payment on a starter home costing \$175,000. The lack of savings raises doubts about whether the under-35 crowd will also delay marriage and children, said Andrew Woo, a data scientist at Apartment List.

One possibility — already evident in some markets — is that first-time buyers are making smaller down payments and paying mortgage insurance or slightly higher interest rates on mortgages.

Excess housing debt roughly a decade ago inflated a housing bubble and then triggered a market crash that led to the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression more than 80 years ago.

"A lot of millennials are not saving enough for a 20 per cent down payment for a home," Woo said. "What does that do for our financial system — especially since we had the financial crisis less than 10 years ago? Are we willing to let homebuyers be highly leveraged like they were before?"

Millennials not only entered a job market still healing from the downturn, but arrived with high student debt burdens, with averages approaching \$30,000. Fifty-three per cent of homebuyers under 35 last year said that student loans had delayed their purchases, according to a survey released last month by the National Association of Realtors.

Based on home prices, many millennials won't be able to buy homes in the next five years with their accumulated savings. Assuming a 20 per cent down payment, it would take 20.5 years in San Francisco, 11.4 years in Denver, 8.2 years in Seattle and seven years in the Boston area.

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**Are we willing to let homebuyers be highly leveraged like they were before?**

Andrew Woo, data scientist at Apartment List on the lack of savings millennials have set aside for a down payment on a home.

# Paying too much for that mortgage?



A good rule of thumb is to not spend more than 35 per cent of your net income on shelter, including mortgage payments, property taxes, insurance, utilities and maintenance. iStock

## ADVICE

### Don't just trust your bank's approval, look at your budget

**Gail Vaz-Oxlade**  
For Metro Canada



Kara and her husband, Petrie, decided to get pre-approved so they could shop for their next home knowing the mortgage was good to go. They couldn't believe how much the bank said they could borrow.

If you think that a lender won't give you more mortgage than you could afford to repay, you might be wrong. A 2011 study showed that 200,000 Canadians couldn't manage any increase in their mortgage payments, while another 700,000 couldn't handle a \$200-per-month increase.

The mortgage you qualify for should not be the determining factor in how much home you buy.

Lenders have been throwing money at people, confident in their ability to claim any losses back from CMHC (Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation). Normal lending criteria have gone out the window; replaced by a quick glance at credit scores.

I've heard stories of bankers encouraging people to put down less money so the mortgage will be CMHC insured. I've

even heard stories of people being offered better interest rates for smaller down payments. Go figure.

My rule of thumb is to not spend more than 35 per cent of your net income on shelter including mortgage payments, property taxes, insurance, utilities, and maintenance.

If you bring home \$3,750 and your mate earns \$4,225 after taxes each month, you have a total net income of \$7,975. Divide that by 100 and multiply by 35. ( $7975 \div 100 \times 35 = \$2,791$ ) That gives you \$2,791 you can afford to spend on shelter.

That is not how much you can afford to spend on a mortgage.

What's it going to cost for your property taxes? I live in the bush and pay about \$300 a month.

My home insurance runs to \$100 a month.

Utilities (heating, electricity, water, sewage) cost me about \$225 a month. Then there's home maintenance.

If you'll pay condo fees, use those plus an additional \$200 a month for stuff you have to do inside your unit. No condo fees? Use 3 per cent of the value of the home, sans property.

For the sake of projection, estimate of \$500/month for maintenance. When you add

up all those costs it comes to \$1,125 not including a mortgage payment.

So if you have \$2,791 to spend on shelter, and you're spending \$1,125 on everything but mortgage, you have ( $\$2,791 - \$1,125 = \$1,666$ ) up to \$1,666 to spend on your mortgage payment.

Time to head over to a mortgage calculator to see how much mortgage you can afford.

Plug in different mortgage amounts to see which number comes closest to what you can afford.

Don't squeeze yourself into the biggest mortgage you can manage, since any increase in interest will take your mortgage payment higher at renewal.

If you're in over your head on housing, it means having very little life. It can also mean being tempted to use credit to supplement your cash flow.

If you must spend more than 35 per cent on shelter because... well, houses, y'know... you better eliminate all your consumer and student debt first to keep your budget in balance.

And you best be prepared to spend less money on just about everything else in your life.

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The number of Canadians who couldn't manage any increase in their mortgage payments, according to a study from 2011.

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# How celebs influence our health

## RESEARCH

### Study suggests media coverage of treatments spike popularity

After Angelina Jolie's opinion about her preventative double mastectomy went viral, it spawned the so-called "Angelina Jolie effect" influencing a rise in the invasive procedure.

Now, a new study highlights just how much media coverage of celebrities may be influencing women with breast cancer to choose a double mastectomy — and it goes way beyond Jolie's New York Times column.

"People underestimate the impact of celebrity news reports on medical knowledge," says study author Dr. Michael Sabel, chief of surgical oncology and a breast cancer surgeon at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Sabel's research analyzed more than 720 articles from major American publications covering celebrity breast cancer diagnoses and treatments between 2000 to 2012.

During that time, 17 celebrities disclosed their diagnosis and treatment plans. (Jolie wasn't included in the study, since she didn't actually have breast cancer, but rather opted for a preventative double mastectomy given her higher risk of breast cancer thanks to an inherited BRCA1 gene mutation.)

The study, published in the *Annals of Surgical Oncology* in April, found the type of surgical treatment used on a celebrity was mentioned more often if it was a double mastectomy — and 60



After Angelina Jolie wrote a column about her double mastectomy for *The New York Times*, there was a rise in the invasive procedure. DON ARNOLD/WIREIMAGE

per cent of stories about celebs going that route for treatment didn't mention anything about their genetics, family history or risk of breast cancer.

During the 12-year study span, the number of women with breast cancer who underwent double mastectomy at the University of Michigan rose nearly fivefold.

Sabel is careful to point out celebrity stories might not directly be causing this spike, and could be just one of many reasons behind rising double mastectomy rates — such as the availability of genetic testing in the early 2000s. Still, he says celebrity media coverage is likely influencing women's decisions. "We're finding that a lot of patients are coming in with their minds already made up."

It also began earlier than the "Angelina Jolie effect," Sabel says. There was a clear rise in double mastectomies prior to her 2013 op-ed, tied to media coverage of celebrities like Christina Applegate, who announced she had breast cancer, and the BRCA "breast cancer gene," back in 2008 — and underwent a double mastectomy for treatment.

While media coverage of these celebrity decisions usually has a positive tone, Sabel says there's a lack of evidence showing double mastectomies decrease the risk of cancer recurrence or improve survival rates, compared to other less-invasive treatment options. "It's important patients understand their options," he says.

Canadian health policy expert Timothy Caulfield, who debunked health myths perpetu-



**When it's a complicated topic like that, we should avoid using celebrities as a template, as a source of advice**

Canadian health policy expert Timothy Caulfield

ated by celebrities in his book *Is Gwyneth Paltrow Wrong about Everything*, praised Sabel's study.

"It really speaks to the power of celebrity culture," he notes.

The rich and famous can make a difference when the messaging is simple, he adds — things like wearing a seatbelt or quitting smoking. Sabel agrees, noting the positive impact of Jolie's piece for raising awareness about genetic testing. Similarly, colonoscopy rates went up after Katie Couric underwent the test on the *Today Show*.

But choosing a breast cancer treatment based on a celebrity story? That's a different ball game.

"When it's a complicated topic like that, we should avoid using celebrities as a template, as a source of advice," Caulfield says.

The bottom line, Sabel says, is patients should educate themselves and explore various sources of information.

"But remember breast cancer treatment is very specific to the patient," he adds.

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## STUDY

### Drawing helps memory

Cramming for an exam? Need to memorize a presentation? New research suggests that the best way to boost your power of recall is to draw pictures.

That's according to a study out of the University of Waterloo in Canada which found that between drawing and writing out words repeatedly, drawing was the more effective way to retain information.

For the study, researchers presented student participants with a list of simple words like "apple" and were given 40 seconds to either draw the word or write it out repeatedly.

Afterwards, students were asked to freely recall as many words as possible from the list in 60 seconds.

The result? Participants were able to recall twice as many words when they drew them compared to when they wrote them out.

"We discovered a significant recall advantage for words that were drawn as compared to those that were written," said study lead author Jeffrey Wammes.

"We labelled this benefit 'the drawing effect,' which refers to this distinct advantage of drawing words relative to writing them out."

There's also good news for those who are artistically disadvantaged: The quality of the drawings made no difference.

The findings were published in *Quarterly Journal of Experimental Psychology*.

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Host Steve Harvey introduces Nathaniel, a teenager who plays young Michael Jackson on Broadway in *The Motown Musical*. Out struts a boy with a smile brighter than the stage lights, wearing a red jacket and a black hat cocked on his forehead. Harvey starts wiggling with glee.

"Ooh, he got swag," he says. "Look at him pop-locking. Notice how he hasn't taken his hand out of his pocket. Player move."

Harvey and Nathaniel chat about how much they love James Brown. Nathaniel pulls on a yellow cape and starts doing a murderously good James Brown dance, complete with splits.

Harvey watches for a minute,



**It's a formula as old as television itself — kids say and do the darndest things.**



**Little Big Shots host Steve Harvey with pint-sized soul sensation Nathaniel.** CONTRIBUTED

open-mouthed. Then he can't help it, he's on his feet. He flings his question card away, and dances along.

*Little Big Shots* is, bar none, the happiest show on the air. It's a formula as old as television itself — kids say and do the darndest things — but this iteration from producers Ellen DeGeneres and Harvey nails it.

First, it's not a competition; everyone gets a standing ovation. Second, Harvey is insanely good at talking to kids. He knows when to tease them; he knows how to play dumb to make them giggle; and he makes masterful reaction faces.

Most importantly, few of the kids are as talented as Nathaniel. For every string quartet or eerily mature jazz singer, there's an amateur tap dancer, ventriloquist, or YouTube star who dances funny.

They're not scary-good, just good enough to charm you into beaming at the TV as if you were their grandma.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

# Beyoncé turns racism and rage into Lemonade

**MUSIC**

## Intoxicating surprise album tackles tough topics

Beyoncé doesn't simply release albums anymore, she unleashes events.

And so it was this weekend, amid deep mourning for a lost icon, music's queen dropped *Lemonade*, an arresting display of what technically qualifies as videos and singles, but is better described as a work of art that appeared deeply personal, yet is a bold social and political statement as well.

It contains revenge anthems for scorned wives, a requiem for side chicks, a display of #BlackGirlMagic and support of #BlackLivesMatter, and an ode to forgiveness, all wrapped into an hour-long HBO special Saturday night that would, of course, land on Tidal, the music-streaming service owned by hubby Jay Z, moments after the special ended.

"Are you cheating on me?" Beyoncé's husky voice intones early on. For the first half of *Lemonade*, it seems that Jay Z's 100th problem was here, and unfixable. While Beyoncé has used rumours of infidelity to fuel her music for years, it seemed as if she was spilling all the tea on her much-scrutinized marriage with *Lemonade*.

On "Hold Up," an intoxicating song with an island beat, a smiling Beyoncé takes Crazy in Love to a new level: She smashes a bat on everything around her while reminding her man that other women "don't love you like I love you." Later, on "Sorry," with a twerking Serena Williams by her side, she shows her man the stupidity of his cheating ways

and all he's lost. "Middle fingers up, put 'em hands high, put it in his face, tell him 'Boy bye.'"

At another point, she references her man's desire for "Becky with the good hair" and talks about wearing his mistress's scalp.

What could come across as desperate instead becomes empowering, though, in part due to the poetic narrative Beyoncé uses to tie each segment together, as well as the imagery, which is a defiant celebration of the beauty of black women: Dark to light, woolly hair to wavy hair, all looking glorious.

And just as we think it's time to get seriously concerned for Jay Z's safety, he appears, nestled with his queen, in Sandcastles, which speaks to a troubled union but a love that transcends it.

While much of *Lemonade* would appear to tie into Beyoncé's own life, or so she would have us believe, she also draws from the angst of the black community: The mothers of Trayvon Martin and Michael Brown are seen, among others, looking sombre as they hold photos of their slain sons. At another point, she tells the audience via the voice of Malcolm X that "the most disrespected woman in America is the black woman."

Toward the end of *Formation*, not included on the HBO special but part of the album, Beyoncé intones: "You know you that b— when you cause all this conversation." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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**Beyoncé confronts the infidelity rumours swirling around her husband Jay Z head-on in *Lemonade*.** EZRA SHAW/GETTY IMAGES

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The Dallas Stars were cruising into the second round, dominating their slumbering opponent, when the Minnesota Wild jolted awake.

Minnesota's remarkable rally ended a fraction of an inch short, a fitting metaphor for an intensely up-and-down season. Dallas advanced in the playoffs for the first time in eight years, extracting some valuable experience from a nerve-racking finish.

Jason Spezza scored his fourth goal of the series and added three assists, and goalie Kari Lehtonen and the Stars needed every last one of them to hold off the Wild 5-4 on Sunday and wrap up the first-round series in six games.

"A lot of respect for what Minnesota can do on their side," said Patrick Sharp, who had one of three first-period goals for Dallas. "It was a tough series, but we're happy about moving on."

John Klingberg, Jamie Benn and Alex Goligoski also scored for the Stars, who will face the winner of the Chicago-St. Louis series, which is tied at 3. The Blues host the Blackhawks in their decisive Game 7 on Monday night.



Stars centre Jason Spezza, right, scores past teammate Mattias Janmark and a number of other bodies on Sunday. ANN HEISENFELT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAME 6 In St. Paul



Jared Spurgeon scored two of Minnesota's four third-period goals, both on the power play, and the Wild nearly tied the game with 34 seconds remaining when Nino Niederreiter whacked at a loose puck in the crease.

Freeze-frame replays showed it in the net, but not quite fully across the goal-line as it connected with Lehtonen's right

pad, an oh-so-close call that was upheld by review. Another angle revealed the puck taking a slight hop, which might have put it all the way in, but it was awfully difficult to determine.

"It seems like it always comes down to that: inches, a fluky play, whatever you want to call it," Wild centre Charlie Coyle said. "It's crazy. It was right there." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA PLAYOFFS

## Curry hurt but Dubs rain 3s on Rockets

Klay Thompson scored 23 points and the Golden State Warriors set an NBA playoff record with 21 three-pointers to overcome another injury to Stephen Curry and beat the Houston Rockets 121-94 on Sunday for a 3-1 series lead.

Curry returned after missing two games with a sprained right ankle, but did not play in the second half after spraining his right knee on the final play of the second quarter.

Golden State was just fine without him thanks to three-point shooting that led to a 41-point third quarter. The Warriors bested the NBA record they shared for threes in a playoff game when Brandon Rush made one from the top of the key with about 2-1/2 minutes left.

"When you have a team that is as together as ours is and cares about each other like ours does, you tend to pick up the fight a little bit," coach Steve Kerr said. "Our guys sensed that we needed

GAME 4 In Houston



to come together."

Golden State hosts Game 5 on Wednesday.

Dwight Howard led Houston with 19 points and 15 rebounds. James Harden had 18 points, 10 assists and seven steals.

The Warriors made eight threes in the third quarter alone to set a franchise playoff record for three-pointers in a period. Thompson led the way from long range, going 7-for-11.

Curry slid awkwardly to the court while defending on the last play before halftime and immediately grabbed his knee. He got up and looked to have trouble putting weight on it before jogging with a limp to the locker-room. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### IN BRIEF

#### Caps move on to marquee matchup against Pens

Nicklas Backstrom scored, Braden Holtby had 26 saves, and the Washington Capitals beat the Philadelphia Flyers 1-0 on Sunday in Game 6 to win the series 4-2.

The Capitals will play the Pittsburgh Penguins in the next round, setting up a marquee matchup of Alex Ovechkin vs. Sidney Crosby.

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#### Spurs make quick work of mauling Grizzlies

Kawhi Leonard scored 21 points as the San Antonio Spurs routed the Memphis Grizzlies 116-95 on Sunday, sweeping the best-of-seven opening-round series.

The Spurs finished off their ninth sweep of a post-season series in franchise history, their third against the Grizzlies.

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# Jays bats back on track

MLB

## Oakland gets taste of offence that lit up dome in 2015

Ezequiel Carrera and Jose Bautista homered Sunday as the Toronto Blue Jays continued to swing a hot bat in a 6-3 victory over the Oakland Athletics.

It was a battle of the long ball with Oakland slugging three solo shots and both teams falling just short of the fence on several other occasions.

The Toronto attack, which was sluggish to open the season,

woke up against the Athletics with 20 runs, 32 hits and six home runs to win the series 2-1. Carrera, a backup outfielder, helped trigger the offence with seven hits over the three games.

The Jays (10-10) have won two straight while the Athletics (10-9) have lost two in a row after starting the campaign with seven consecutive road wins.

Drew Hutchison, called up from the minors for a one-off start to give Toronto's rotation an extra day's rest, left to a standing ovation after giving up just two runs on four hits over 5-2/3 innings. He struck out five and walked two, throwing 55 strikes in a 95-pitch outing.

The only blemishes on his

afternoon were solo homers by Khris Davis, in the second, and Josh Reddick, in the sixth. Chris Coghlan also homered off Jesse Chavez in a seventh inning that saw two other A's hammer moonshots to the warning track.

There was a full house of 46,300 for Josh Donaldson MVP Bobblehead Day, with fans lining up for hours before the game to get one of the 20,000 giveaways.

Prior to the game, the reigning AL MVP was presented with his Silver Slugger Award as the best-hitting third baseman in the AL, as well as Players Choice Awards as 2015 Player of the Year and AL Outstanding Player.

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Jose Bautista congratulates Ezequiel Carrera on his third-inning home run on Sunday.

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## IN BRIEF

### Jones strong in UFC return

Jon Jones unanimously outpointed Ovince Saint Preux on Saturday at UFC 197 to take the interim light heavyweight title.

On probation for a previous hit-and-run crash in New Mexico, Jones had been stripped of the title.

Jones improved to 22-2 with winning scores of 50-44, 50-45 and 50-45 from the judges. He will next face Daniel Cormier to unify the title. Saint Preux fell to 19-8.

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### Speedskater Denny Morrison suffers stroke

Canadian speedskater Denny Morrison is recovering in a Salt Lake City hospital after

suffering a stroke Saturday.

Speed Skating Canada says the 30-year-old from Fort St. John, B.C., had completed a month of bike touring on the Arizona Trail and was spending some free time around Salt Lake City.

Scans confirmed a brain blood clot and carotid artery dissection.

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### Leicester close in on title

Leicester easily coped without suspended top-scorer Jamie Vardy on Sunday, sweeping to a 4-0 victory over Swansea to move closer to winning the English top flight for the first time in the club's 132-year history.

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**Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh**  
For Metro Canada

We're holding tight to the if-you-cook-it-spring-will-come philosophy and switching over to a lighter menu. This kale salad gets lots of flavour and texture from chicken and sweet berries.

**Ready in**  
Prep Time: 15 minutes  
Serves: Four

- Ingredients**
- 2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
  - 1 Tbsp olive oil
  - 1 small head of kale
  - 1 cup blueberries
  - 1 cup pecans, roughly chopped
  - Salad dressing
  - 1/2 cup crumbled goat cheese
  - salt and pepper to taste

## Directions

**1.** Season chicken with a pinch of salt and pepper. Grill breasts on the barbecue or a grill pan for about 5 minutes a side until they are cooked through. Set aside.

**2.** Wash kale and use a sharp knife to cut out the rib of each leaf. Slice the leaves horizontally into ribbons. Drizzle with a bit of olive oil, toss, then massage leaves for a minute or two.

**3.** Cut chicken into bite-sized pieces. Toss the chicken, berries and pecans in with the kale. Pour a small amount of salad dressing over and toss. Crumble the goat cheese over the salad. Place the extra dressing on the table for anyone who would like a little more on their salad.

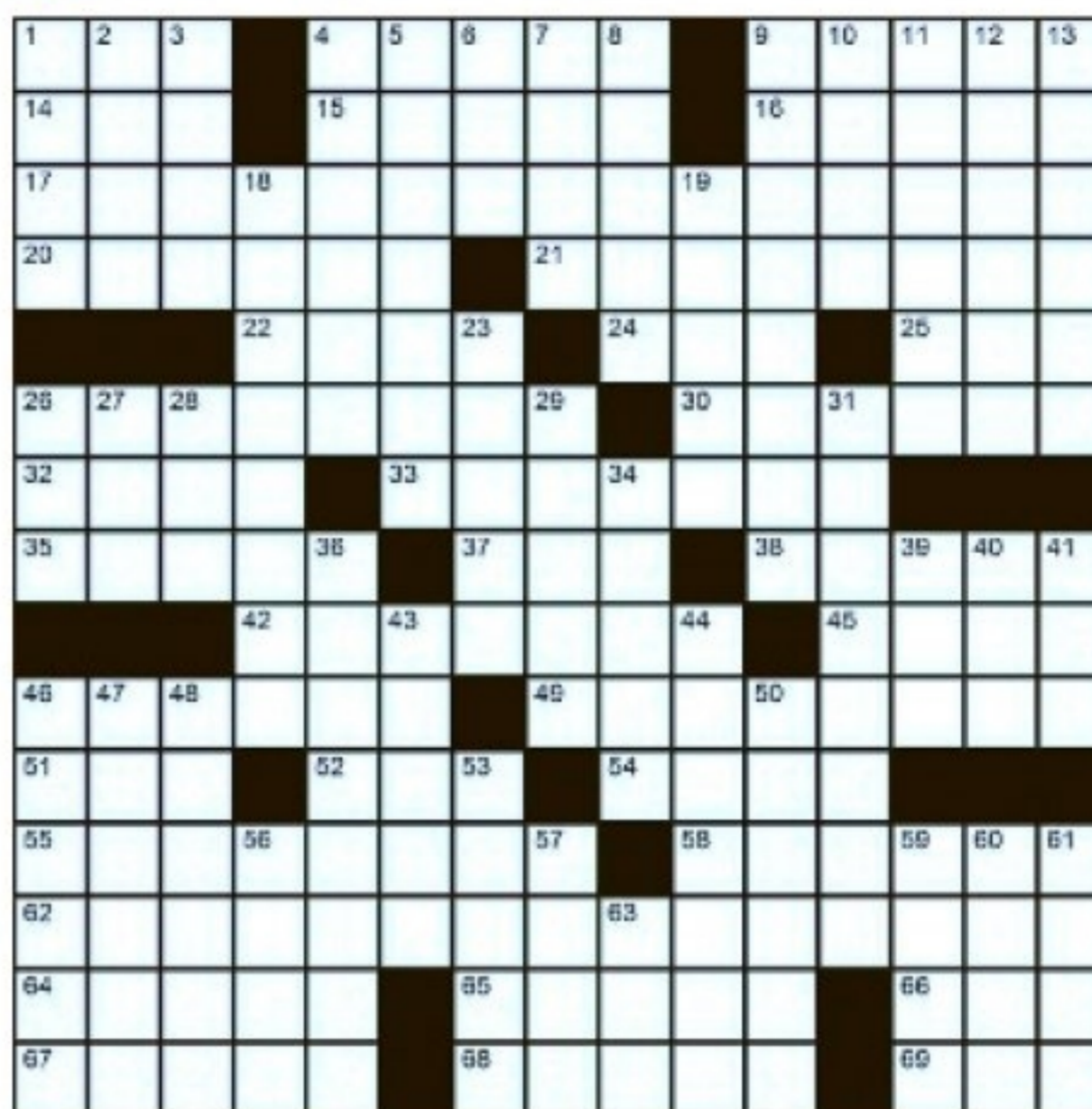
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- Beaver-built barrier
- Cramp
- Tiger: French
- Identity part
- "...a stinker?" - Bugs Bunny
- Against a thing, at law: 2 wds.
- Nunavut's official flower: 2 wds.
- Jason of "The Lost Boys" (1987)
- One trusting another with info
- Above
- US medicine watchdog
- Canadian language, e.g.
- Spot for a stop on a road trip: 2 wds.
- Prison person
- "...the Groove" by Madonna
- "American Idol" alum who famously sported a faux-hawk
- Particular pears
- France: Le Chateau ... (Castle attraction in Upper Normandy)
- Misses in Madrid, mini-ly
- Barry Manilow hit bit: "... well / You came and you gave..."
- National Park in Field, BC
- Songstress Ms. Gore
- Judd Hirsch sitcom: 2 wds.
- Swiss peak
- Game-on-grass gr.
- Cruising



- Beau ... (Star on MTV's "Awkward," from Victoria)
- Household
- Remotely banished in Russia: 3 wds.
- Saltpetre, US-style
- Chilliwack song
- Advantages

- Shoe's bottom design
- Tatshenshini-... Park, in northwestern BC
- Actress, Myrna ...
- Hollywood star Johnny

- Water: Spanish
- Beetle Bailey creator Mr. Walker
- Genealogy test sample
- Ones attaching jigsaw puzzle bits together, say
- Years: French
- Disconnected, in

- music [abbr.]
- ... sun and cloud (Weather forecast)
- "Breakfast at ..." (1961)
- Crucifix inscription
- Best quality, as per food: wd. + letter
- One who rules when

- the monarch can't
- Surface
- Procedure/etiquette
- New Delhi's country
- ... book (Do this at the library)
- Poke fun
- U2 producer surname
- Holy ones [abbr.]
- A means to ...
- Kingston-born Celtic singer Ms. Lamond: 2 wds.
- Herod the Great's realm
- German ... (Woof!)
- Also
- Relieved-one's sound
- ...-in-law
- "Goodness gracious!": 2 wds.
- "Baywatch" star Ms. Bleeth
- Bemoan
- Magical potion
- Soft drink name
- Sportswear brand
- SAG-... (Showbiz union)
- Actress Ms. DuVall
- Stable offspring
- Husk
- Mr. Vannelli
- Simple
- Khloe, to Kim

# IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
Do not be discouraged if studies or travel possibilities look too difficult. Many people think that they are overwhelmed with burdens today, but this is temporary.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
You might be discouraged because your fair share of something is less, or there isn't enough money to do something in conjunction with someone else. Just wait, because this challenge will pass.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
Someone older might rain on your parade today. Don't take this personally, because we all feel this in different ways today. Sigh.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
If someone older or more experienced is critical of you at work today, listen in case there is something of value in what he or she has to say. Yes, it will discourage you, but such is life.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
Children might be an increased responsibility today. Likewise, romance might be in the toilet. Fear not; this is a fleeting disappointment.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
An older family member might disapprove of your actions today. Oh well, what's new? This sort of thing goes up and down all the time. Just wait it out.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
Don't be gripped by worries today. Remember that old saying: "Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do, but gets you nowhere." It's true.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
You might be discouraged because you don't have enough money to do something today. Well, join the club — we number millions. No worries.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
Today the Moon in your sign is lined up with stern Saturn. This means that duty and obligations come first. Consider this an opportunity for hard work.

**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
You will work hard behind the scenes today to accomplish as much as possible, because you see the objective that you want to attain. No pain, no gain!

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
Listen to the advice of someone older or more experienced because this person might help you today. (After all, you don't have to reinvent the wheel, do you?)

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
It won't be easy to persuade authority figures to go along with what you want today. Therefore, wait for another day to make your pitch. Timing is everything.

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